# **EXHIBIT O**

## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA JUDICIAL PANEL ON MULTIDISTRICT LITIGATION

CHAIRMAN: Judge Wm. Terrell Hodges United States District Court Middle District of Florida

MEMBERS: Judge John F. Keenan United States District Court Southern District of New York

Judge D. Lowell Jensen United States District Court Northern District of California

Judge J. Frederick Motz United States District Court District of Maryland Judge Robert L. Miller, Jr. United States District Court Northern District of Indiana

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TO INVOLVED COUNSEL

Re: MDL-1596 -- In re Zyprexa Products Liability Litigation

(See Attached Schedule A of Order)

Dear Counsel:

For your information, I am enclosing a copy of an order filed today by the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation involving this matter.

Very truly,

By.

Michael J. Beck Clerk of the Panel

> Mecca S. Carter Deputy Clerk

Enclosure

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## BEFORE THE JUDICIAL PANEL ON MULTIDISTRICT LITIGATION

## IN RE ZYPREXA PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

BEFORE WM. TERRELL HODGES,\* CHAIRMAN, JOHN F. KEENAN, D. LOWELL JENSEN, J. FREDERICK MOTZ, ROBERT L. MILLER, JR., KATHRYN H. VRATIL AND DAVID R. HANSEN, JUDGES OF THE PANEL

#### TRANSFER ORDER

Before the Panel are motions brought, respectively, pursuant to Rule 7.4, R.P.J.P.M.L., 199 F.R.D. 425, 435-36 (2001), by plaintiffs in twelve Eastern District of Missouri actions, ten Western District of Missouri actions and three Middle District of Alabama actions as listed on Scheduled A. These plaintiffs ask the Panel to vacate its orders conditionally transferring the actions to the Eastern District of New York for inclusion in the coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings occurring there in this docket. Two doctors named as defendants in one of the ten Western District of Missouri actions also move to vacate the Panel's order conditionally transferring that action. Defendant Eli Lilly and Co. opposes the motions to vacate and urges inclusion of all 25 actions in the MDL-1596 proceedings.

On the basis of the papers filed and hearing session held, the Panel finds that these 25 actions involve common questions of fact with the actions in this litigation previously transferred to the Eastern District of New York, and that transfer of these actions to the Eastern District of New York for inclusion in the coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings in that district will serve the convenience of the parties and witnesses and promote the just and efficient conduct of the litigation. The Panel further finds that transfer of these actions is appropriate for reasons expressed by the Panel in its original order directing centralization in this docket. In that order, the Panel held that the Eastern District of New York was a proper Section 1407 forum for actions involving claims of liability related to the prescription drug Zyprexa. See In re Zyprexa Products Liability Litigation, 314 F.Supp.2d 1380 (J.P.M.L. 2004). Any motions for remand to state court can be presented to and decided by the transferee court. See, e.g., In re Ivy, 901 F.2d 7 (2nd Cir. 1990); In re Prudential Insurance Company of America Sales Practices Litigation, 170 F.Supp.2d 1346, 1347-48 (J.P.M.L. 2001).

Judge Hodges took no part in the decision of this matter.

Larry Wright v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., W.D. Missouri, C.A. No. 2:05-4413.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1407, these actions are transferred to the Eastern District of New York and, with the consent of that court, assigned to the Honorable Jack B. Weinstein for inclusion in the coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings occurring there in this docket.

FOR THE PANEL:

John F. Keenan Acting Chairman

#### **SCHEDULE A**

#### MDL-1596 -- In re Zyprexa Products Liability Litigation

#### Middle District of Alabama

Shaheed Muhammad v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 2:05-1046 Latofia Crimes v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 2:05-1047 Sanquirnetta McCray-Martin v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 2:05-1048

#### Eastern District of Missouri

Cheryl Andrews v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2126

Jacqueline Jenell Brown v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2127

Gloria Hayes v. Eli Lilly & Co, et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2128

Myra Frisbie v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2129

Xavier Johnson v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2139

Stanley Lewis v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2140

Linda Young v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2142

Darryl Scott v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2143

Valerie Ann Shaffer v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2151

Donna Trefney v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2177

Ethel Stevens v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2178

#### Western District of Missouri

Michael Skinner v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 2:05-4411

Larry Wright v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 2:05-4413

Tina Carrero v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-1083

Mary Ella Weese v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-1114

Susan M. Riley v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-1118

Pamela Hedrix v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-1151

Brenda Gleese v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-1244

Lamont Jay Hemphill v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-1245

Linda Ward Tindall v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-1246

Rosetta Marie Williams v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-1247